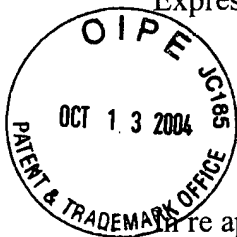


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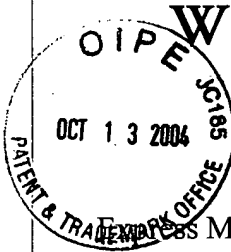
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment for entry in the above-identified application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

To secure the approval of the Examiner for proposed amendments to the drawings, enclosed are the following:

Letter to the Official Draftsperson;

___ Set of _____ () sheets of drawings containing Figures _____ including the proposed amendments therein; and

___ A duplicate set of the _____ () sheets of drawings with the changes therein highlighted in red.

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Claim amendments begin on page 2.

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